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### **Local family to live under the same roof again when they receive keys to their Habitat house**

**High Springs, FL** – The partnership between Santa Fe’s Charles R. Perry Construction Institute and Alachua Habitat for Humanity is set to dedicate its seventh home at **25180 W US Hwy 27 in High Springs on Tuesday October 24**. The dedication ceremony will begin at **10:00 am**.

The land the house is on was generously donated by the City of High Springs, and the home construction was sponsored by Charles Perry Partners, Inc. (CPPI). Santa Fe construction students and apprentices built the house as part of their training program. The house was built in two sections at the Charles R. Perry Construction Institute on the Santa Fe College campus over the course of two semesters, and was then transported to its final destination in High Springs in April.

The house will soon become home to Otis, Ivera, and their two daughters when they receive the keys on the 24<sup>th</sup>. The family, along with numerous volunteers, have worked diligently since April to complete the house.

When Otis’s aunt fell ill, the family was forced to live apart in separate apartments in order for her to get the care she needed. Although necessary, the living conditions were not conducive for a strong and healthy family relationship. With the help of Habitat and the determination of a strong-willed family, they will soon live under the same roof again. Otis and his family have remained positive, patient, and dedicated to each other and the community. The reality of homeownership is possible thanks to the family’s hard work and determination, along with the support of CPPI, Santa Fe College, and Alachua Habitat for Humanity. It would also not be possible without the volunteers and community partners who donated time, money, and materials along the way.

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Founded in 1986, Alachua Habitat for Humanity is the local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International. We envision a world where everyone has a decent place to live and we work towards that vision by bringing people together to build strength, stability, and independence through shelter. To accomplish these goals, we invite people of all backgrounds, races, and religions to build houses together in partnership with families in need of affordable housing. Through volunteer labor and donations of money and materials, Alachua Habitat has built more than 130 homes in the local community. Habitat houses are sold to homeowner families at no profit and financed with affordable loans. For more information visit [www.alachuahabitat.org](http://www.alachuahabitat.org)